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Sedgwick County to Host Ark Valley Lodge Ribbon Cutting

(Sedgwick County, Kansas) –Sedgwick County will host the "Ribbon Cutting" of the remodeled Arkansas Valley Lodge, 615 N. Main, Wednesday, September 10 at 4:00 p.m. Members of the Board of County Commissioners and the Ark Valley Masons will be present.

In 2000, under the leadership of Commissioner Carolyn McGinn, Sedgwick County made a commitment to refurbish the Arkansas Valley Lodge and to reaffirm its historic status. The Arkansas Valley Lodge is located in the heart of what was referred to as Wichita's "Black Business District."

"The Arkansas Valley Lodge is an important part of Wichita and Sedgwick County's History," said Sedgwick County Commissioner Carolyn McGinn. "I am proud that we can be involved in the restoration of this Lodge. It is part of all of our heritage and a legacy to the contributions and achievements of African-Americans in our community."

The Arkansas Valley Lodge is now home to Sedgwick County Community Developmental Disability Organization (CDDO). The CDDO is responsible for establishing and managing a network of community based developmental disability service providers.

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